

## Early Learning Center- North Quincy News

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Have you taken out your child's summer clothes from last year and nothing seems to fit? The Center is looking for

donations of extra clothes especially bottoms: pants, shorts, skirts, etc.!



### Sunscreen/Insect Repellent

ELC North Quincy asks that families apply sunscreen with UVA and UVB SPF 30+ before

school. The staff will re-apply sunscreen prior to heading outside. The sunscreen that will be re-applied will have UVA and UVB SPF 30+. All children must have signed permission slips located in their file. The ELC does not apply insect repellent. Should there be a warning regarding high levels of insects (mosquito's) the ELC children will not be going outside.



### ELC Reminders

- Reminder: The ELC will be **closed on Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, and Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>**, as teachers get ready for the new school year and participate in professional development.
- **Reminder: any child not returning for next year's school year: the last day in the ELC is Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>.**

### ELC Best Practices and Policies

Please read over the following and do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions. If you have a question/concern, please ask! Working together is the best way to help your child.

ELC-North Quincy is a locked building at all times. All enrolled families and staff have key fobs to access the building.

Please do not hold the door open for others. Visitors should be encouraged to ring the doorbell and wait for an ELC staff person to answer. Remember, this policy is not **rude, it's safety.**

If your child will be late (after 9:00am) or absent, please call or email the Center at 857-403-4784 to inform us of their absence. We will call to inquire about your child if we are not aware of their planned absence.

Families are always welcome to call the Center to inquire about your child however during rest time daily (1:00-2:30pm) is the best time and will allow for uninterrupted conversations!

### Corporate Volunteer Day at the South Shore YMCA Family Farm

Many companies are looking for meaningful volunteer opportunities that engage employees and gives back to the community! Though the Y's Family Farm (located directly behind the Early Learning Center-Hanover) your company can spend a day team-building in the outdoors, while giving back through sustainable agriculture, with local food pantries across the South Shore receiving produce cultivated from the farm. Great opportunity for larger groups.

Please contact Michelle Duggan, Sr. Development Director, at [mduggan@ssymca.org](mailto:mduggan@ssymca.org) for more information.

## DIY Sidewalk Foam Paint



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### Supplies Needed:

- Two 4 oz. bottles of WASHABLE school glue
- 1 cup white flour
- 4-5 cups plain white shaving foam
- food coloring drops
- 1-gallon plastic zipper bag
- sandwich-sized plastic zipper bags – 1 per food coloring
- scissors

### Steps Taken:

1. In a gallon-size plastic zipper bag add 1 cup of flour.
2. Pour both bottles of **washable** school glue on top of the flour. Make sure it's washable for easy clean up!
3. Spray about 4-5 cups of shaving foam into the bag. At first I attempted to measure it in a measuring cup, but it was ridiculous trying to

- get it out of the measuring cup. So, after the first cup, I just eyeballed it.
4. Close the bag and knead it for a few minutes until everything is totally mixed.
5. Snip one corner of the big bag and squirt into sandwich-sized plastic zipper bags to divide it up per color.
6. Add 10 drops of one food coloring to each bag.
7. Knead each smaller bag until color is throughout the bag
8. Snip off the edge and squirt it into plastic squirt bottles. Or you can be frugal and just paint with the zipper bags. If you keep it in the bags, just snip off a tiny corner, so it doesn't come out too heavy.



Have a safe and enjoyable end of summer with your families and Friends!

**Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions or comments. We value your feedback and look forward to a successful new school year at the ELC- North Quincy!**

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